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British Citizen, US Permanent Resident

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017– Associate Professor of Economics, George Mason University
2019– Research Fellow Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR)
2011– Senior Scholar at the Mercatus Center
2011–2017 Assistant Professor of Economics, George Mason University
2010–2011 Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in Economics, University of York
2009–2010 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Political Theory Project, Brown University

VISITING POSITIONS

2017–2018 W. Glenn Campbell and Rita Ricardo-Campbell Fellowship, Hoover Institution.

SHORTER VISITS

Feb. 2019 Hoover Institution, Visiting Fellow.
Feb. 2019 CGPD, Stanford University Visiting Fellow.
Nov. 2017 University of Pennsylvania
Dec. 2016 Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University
Jan. 2016 Isaac Manasseh Meyer Fellowship (IMMF), National University Singapore

EDITORIAL POSITIONS

2020 Guest Editor, Special Issue on Institutions, Culture, and Religion, *Journal of Economic Organization and Behavior*.
2018 – Journal of Economic History, Member of Editorial Board.
2017 – ASREC, Member of Editorial Board.
2013 – Economic Affairs, Academic Advisory Board Member.

EDUCATION

2006–2010 D.Phil. Economics, Wadham College, University of Oxford
2004–2006 M.Phil. Economics, Wadham College, University of Oxford
2000–2003 M.A. Modern History and Economics, Trinity College, University of Oxford, *1st Class Honors*

RESEARCH FIELDS

Primary: Economic History.
Secondary: Religion & Economics, Institutional Economics

BOOK

1. “The Birth of Religious Freedom: Liberalism, Rule of Law and State Development, 1100–1800” with Noel Johnson. Cambridge University Press, 2019.
2. “How the World Got Rich”, with Jared Rubin (under contract with Polity Press).

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

3. “Negative Shocks and Mass Killings: Evidence from the Black Death”, with Remi Jebwab, and Noel D. Johnson. *Journal of Economic Growth*, Forthcoming.
4. “Geopolitics and Asia’s Little Divergence: A Comparative Analysis of State Building in China and Japan After 1850”, with Chiaki Moriguchi and Tuan-Hwee Sng. *Journal of Economics, Organization and Behavior*, Vol. 155, November 2018, pp. 178–204.
5. “Plague, Politics, and Pogroms: The Black Death, Fragmented states, and the persecution of Jews in the Holy Roman Empire”, with Theresa Finley. *Journal of Law & Economics*, vol. 61 (2), May 2018, pp. 253–277.
6. “Unified China and Divided Europe” with Chiu Yo Ko and Tuan-Hwee Sng, *International Economics Review*, vol. 59, (1), February 2018.
7. “Jewish Communities and City Growth in Preindustrial Europe,” with Noel D. Johnson *Journal of Development Economics*, vol. 127, July, 2017, pp.339–354
8. “Jewish Persecutions and Weather Shocks, 1100–1800” with Robert Warren Anderson and Noel Johnson.’ *Economic Journal*, vol. 127, (602), June 2017, pp. 924–958.
9. “States and Economic Growth: Capacity and Constraints”, with Noel D. Johnson, *Explorations in Economic History*, vol. 64, April 2017, pp. 1–20.
10. “Education, Identity, and Community: Lessons from Jewish Emancipation” with Jean-Paul Carvalho and Michael Sacks. *Public Choice*, 2017, vol. 171, (1), pp. 119–143.
11. “Jewish Emancipation and Schism: Economic Development and Religious Change”, with Jean-Paul Carvalho, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, vol. 44, Issue 3, August 2016, pp. 562–584.
12. “The Long Transition from a Natural State to a Liberal Economic Order”, *International Review of Law and Economics*, vol. 47, August 2016, pp. 29–39.
13. “Monetary Stability and the Rule of Law”, with Blake Johnson, *Journal of Financial Stability*, vol 17, 2015, pp. 46–58,
14. “The Law and Economics of Private Prosecutions in Industrial Revolution England”, *Public Choice*, vol. 159, issue 1–2, 2014, pp. 277–298.
15. “Taxes, Lawyers, and the Decline of Witchcraft in France,” with Noel Johnson. *The Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 57, issue 1, 2014.
16. “Tax Farming and the Origins of State Capacity in England and France”, with Noel D. Johnson, *Explorations in Economic History*, 51,1, 2014, pp. 1–20.
17. “Legal Centralization and the Birth of the Secular State” with Noel D. Johnson. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, vol. 41, issue 4, 2013, pp. 959–978.
18. “Prosecution Associations in Industrial Revolution England: Private Providers of Public Goods?”, *Journal of Legal Studies*, vol. 41, issue 1, 2012, pp. 95–130.
19. “The Transformation of Labor Supply in the Pre-Industrial World”, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, vol. 81, issue 2, 2012, pp. 505–523.
20. “Evading the Taint of Usury: the Usury Prohibition as a Barrier to Entry”, *Explorations in Economic History*, vol. 47, issue 4, 2010 pp. 420–442.
21. “The Political Economy of Expulsion: the Regulation of Jewish Moneylending in Medieval England”, *Constitutional Political Economy*, vol. 32, issue 4, 2010, pp. 374–406.
22. ‘Instincts and Institutions: The Rise of the Market’, with Jean-Paul Carvalho, in *Advances in Austrian Economics*, volume 11. 2009, pp.285–309

23. 'Playing Like the Home Team: An Economic Investigation into Home Advantage in Football' with J. James Reade, *International Journal of Sports Finance*, Vol. 4. N. 1., 2009, pp. 16–41.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND NON-REFEREED ARTICLES

24. "Political Economy" *Handbook of Cliometrics*, Edited by Claude Diebolt and Michael Hauptert, Springer 2019.
25. "The State, Toleration, and Religious Freedom" with Noel Johnson in *Advances in the Economics of Religion*, edited by Jean-Paul Carvalho, Syria Iyer, and Jared Rubin. Palgrave Macmillan. 2019
26. "Analytical Narratives in Economic History" *An Economists Guide to Economic History*, Edited by Matthias Blum and Chris Colvin. Palgrave Macmillan. 2019.
27. "Economic History" *Rutledge Handbook of Jewish History and Historiography*, Edited by Dean Bell, Rutledge, 2018.
28. "Establishing a New Order: The Growth of the State and the Decline of Witch Trials in France", with Noel D. Johnson and John V.C. Nye. *Institutions, Innovation, and Industrialization: Essays in Economic History and Development*, Edited by Avner Greif, Lynne Kiesling & John V. C. Nye, Princeton University Press. 2015.
29. Preindustrial Cliometrics: A review essay, *Economic Affairs*, Vol. 33, N. 2, 2013, pp 268–278.
30. "An Interview with Paul Collier" with Bruno Versailles, *Oxonomics*, 3 no. 1, 2008 pp. 1–5.
31. "An Interview with Jeffrey Williamson" with Bruno Versailles, *Oxonomics*, 3 no. 1, 2008 pp. 20–26.
32. "Increasing Returns and the Division of Labour", *Oxonomics*, 1, no. 1, 2006 pp. 21–25.

WORKING PAPERS (DRAFTS AVAILABLE)

33. "Autocratic Rule and Social Capital: Evidence from Imperial China", with Melanie Meng Xue.
34. "Resisting Education", with Jean-Paul Carvalho.
35. "Pandemics, Places, and Populations: Evidence from the Black Death, with Remi Jebwab, and Noel D. Johnson.
36. "Medieval Microcredit: Credit markets and pledging in England", with Chris Briggs.

WORK IN PROGRESS

37. "The Fractured Land Hypothesis" with Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde, Tuan-Hwee Sng, and Lin Youhong.
38. "Sea-Power" with Ahmed Rahman and Tuan-Hwee Sng.
39. "Battling Luxury: Sumptuary, Repression, and Economic Development" with Desiree Desierto.

BOOK REVIEWS

40. A Review of Nicholas Crafts's Forging Ahead, Falling Behind and Fighting Back: British Economic Growth, *Economic History Review*, Forthcoming.
41. A Review of Mark Dincecco and Massimiliano Onorato's From Warfare to Wealth: The Military Origins of Urban Prosperity in Europe, *EH.net*.
42. A Review of Daniel Ziblatt's Conservative Parties and the Birth of Democracy, *Journal of Economic History*, vol. 78 (3) pp. 940-942.
43. A Review of Peter Leeson's WTF: An Economic Tour of the Weird *Review of Austrian Economics*, Forthcoming
44. A Review of Eric Golson, Andrei Markevich, and Nickolaus Wolf's (ed) *Economic History of Warfare and State Formation*, *EH.net*, 2017
45. A Review of Jared Rubin's Rulers, Religion, and Riches, *Public Choice*, vol. 173 (3-4) September 2017, pp. 549?552
46. A Review of Walter Scheidel's The Greater Leveler, *Public Choice*, vol 172, (3-4) September 2017, pp. 545?548

47. A Review of Rodrick Floud, Santhi Hajeebu, and David Mitch (ed.), Humanism Challenges Materialism in Economics and Economic History, *Economic History Review*, vol. 70, (3) August 2017 pp. 1045-1046
48. A Review of Joel Mokyr's A Culture of Growth. *Independent Review*, vol. 23, (3), Winter 2018
49. A Review of Peter Turchin's Ultra Society, *Journal of Bioeconomics*, vol. 18, N. 3, 2016, pp. 239-242.
50. A Review of Christen Eisenberg's The Rise of Market Society, *Journal of Economic History*, vol. 75 N. 3, 2015, pp. 932-933.
51. A Review of Jo Guldi and David Armitage's The History Manifesto, *Journal of Economic History*, vol. 75 N. 2, 2015, pp. 584-587.
52. A Review of Jacob Levy's Rationalism, Pluralism, and Freedom, *Public Choice*, vol. 163, N. 3, 2015, pp. 409-412.
53. A Review of Timur Kuran's The Long Divergence, *Public Choice*, vol. 154, N. 3, 2013, pp. 341-343.
54. A Review of Douglas Allen's The Institutional Revolution, *EH.net*, 2012.
55. A Review of Ian Forrest's The Detection of Heresy in Late Medieval England, *Journal of the Oxford University History Society*, vol. 6, 2009
52. A Review of James K. Galbraith's The Predator State, *Economic Affairs*, vol. 29 N. 1, 2009

SELECTED POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

56. "Pandemics, Places, and Populations: Evidence from the Black Death, with Remi Jebwab, and Noel D. Johnson," *Voxeu*, May 2019.
57. "The Institutional Foundations of Antisemitism," *CapM*, April 2019.
58. "The Trouble in Getting to Denmark", with Noel Johnson, *Cato Unbound*, February 2019.
59. "The Little Divergence in State Building: China and Japan after 1850", *Hoover Digest*, Fall 2018.
60. "How Did the West Get Religious Freedom", *Hoover Defining Ideas*, June 2018.
61. "Ideas were not enough", *Aeon*, August 2017.
62. "From the persecuting to the protective state? Jewish expulsions and weather shocks from 1100 to 1800", with Warren Anderson and Noel Johnson, *Vox.eu* February, 2013.
63. Occasional essays and blog posts for a variety of venues including *The Medium*, *Marginal Revolution*, and *Notes on Liberty*.

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS, AND INVITED LECTURES

- 2018 Royal Economic Society Prize for best paper published in the *Economic Journal* in 2017.
- 2018 The Epstein Lecture, London School of Economics.
- 2017 W. Glenn Campbell and Rita Ricardo-Campbell Fellowship, Hoover Institution.
- 2017 Susan Louise Dyer Peace Fellowship, Hoover Institution.
- 2016 Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University (PI: Tuan-Hwee Sng, CI with Chiaki Moriguchi)
- 2016 George Mason University Summer Research Funding
- 2016 Isaac Manasseh Meyer Fellowship (IMMF), National University Singapore.
- 2015 Joint Winner of the Tullock Prize for Best Paper in Public Choice in 2014 by a Junior Scholar
- 2013 Fenwick Fellow, George Mason University
- 2013 F.A. Hayek Fund for Scholars.
- 2011 Winner of The Sound Money Essay Contest
- 2011 Awarded Superpump Priming Funding, University of York
- 2011 Outstanding Author Contribution for "Instincts and Institutions", Emerald Literati Network.
- 2010 Shortlisted for ISNIE Best Thesis Award.

- 2010 ESNIE Best Paper Award for “Medieval Microcredit”.
- 2008 Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship
- 2008 Final Year Doctoral Scholarship, Department of Economics
- 2007 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Economics
- 2007 Recipient of the Pollard Fund, Wadham College, University of Oxford
- 2005 Eprime Eshag Scholarship in Economics, Wadham College, University of Oxford
- 2004 ERSC Studentship
- 2003 George Webb Medley Undergraduate Prize for best undergraduate thesis in economics.
- 2003 Finals Prize, Trinity College, University of Oxford

SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (INCLUDING SCHEDULED)

- 2019 ASREC (Boston); Yale University (invited); Toulouse School of Economics (invited); James Madison University (invited); University of British Columbia (Economics, invited); University of British Columbia (Law School, invited), Deep Determinants of Economic Growth Conference (invited), Brown University, Department of Political Economy, King’s College, University of London (invited); Barcelona GSE (N=9).
- 2018 Santa Clara University (invited), UC Irvine (invited), Stanford University Economic History Seminar (invited), Colorado Boulder (invited), Colorado Springs (invited), Queen’s University, Belfast (invited), Institute for Mathematical Behavior Sciences (UC Irvine, invited workshop), Stanford University Comparative Politics Seminar (invited), University of California, Davis (invited), Palo Alto Fellowship Forum, World Economic History Congress (2 talks), NYU (invited). (N=13).
- 2017 Hebrew University (invited), Ben-Gurion University (invited), ASREC (Boston), Wake Forest University (Invited), Brown University (Political Theory Project, invited), University of Rochester (invited), Northwestern University (invited), SOIE (New York), Law & Economics Workshop (Florence, invited), International Economic Association Roundtable on The Economics of Religion, Cambridge (invited), University of Pennsylvania (invited), Chapman University (invited). (N=12)
- 2016 National University of Singapore (invited), Harvard University Economic History Workshop (invited), Chapman University (invited), ASREC (Chapman University), Economic History Society Meetings (Cambridge, UK), Deep Determinants of Economic Growth Conference (invited), Brown University, Cliometrics Conference (Pittsburgh), Barcelona GSE Summer Forum (invited), NBER Summer Institute, Washington Area Economic History Workshop, PPE Workshop (GMU), University of Mississippi (invited), Southern Economic Association Conference, Washington DC, Rutgers Economic History Workshop (invited), American University SIS (invited), Hitotsubashi University (invited). (N=16)
- 2015 ASSA Meetings (Boston), PPE Workshop, George Mason University; ASREC, Boston; Fenwick Lecture, George Mason University; Carlos III Madrid (invited); ESNIE, Institute of Cargese (invited); University of Michigan (invited); NES Center for the Study of Diversity and Social Interactions, Moscow (invited); NYU, Classical Liberal Institute (invited), Social Science History Conference, Baltimore, Stanford Economic History Workshop (invited). (N=11)
- 2014 Economic History Workshop, George Mason University, Economic History Society Conference, Warwick, Deep Determinants of Economic Growth Conference, Brown University (invited), National University of Singapore (invited), ISNIE, Duke Law School, EHA, Columbus Ohio, Adam Smith Workshop, George Mason University, Colby College (invited), American University invited). (N=8)
- 2013 King’s College London (invited); PPE Workshop, George Mason University; Public Choice Conference (New Orleans); ASREC (Washington D.C); Economic History Workshop, George Mason University; All-UC Economic History Conference, Chapman University, Cliometrics Conference, University of Hawaii-Manoa, Mercatus Center, Instead of the Fed Conference, Arlington VA. (N=8)
- 2012 University of California, Irvine (invited), ASREC (Chapman University), University of Reading (invited). (N=3)
- 2011 George Mason Economic History Workshop, Southern Economic Association Conference (Washington DC), Public Choice Seminar and PPE Workshop, George Mason University (both invited); ASREC, Washington DC; ISNIE, Stanford University; Cliometrics Workshop, LSE; Medieval History Congress, University of Leeds. (N=8)

- 2010 ESNIE, Institute of Cargese; Macrolunch, Brown University; Royal Economics Society Conference, University of Surrey; Economic History Workshop, Nuffield College, University of Oxford; Departmental Workshop and Cherry Seminar, University of York. (N=6)
- 2009 Economic History Society, New Researchers Session (Warwick University); Economic History Workshop and Postdoc and DPhil Workshop, University of Oxford, Economic History Association, Poster Session (Arizona). (N=3)
- 2008 Gorman Workshop, University of Oxford; Economic History Workshop, Nuffield College, University of Oxford. (N=2)
- 2007 Medieval Social and Political Institutions: Their Economic Effects, University of Western Ontario; Economic History Workshop, Nuffield College, University of Oxford. (N=2)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

- 2021 Program Chair for ASREC (Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture).
- 2019 Program Chair for ASREC (Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture).
- 2018— Coordinator of the Public Choice Seminar, George Mason University.
- 2018 Alexander Gerschenkron Dissertation Prize convener, EHA.
- 2018— Faculty Participant for Oskar Morgenstern Fellowship Workshops, Mercatus Center.
- 2017 Program Chair for ASREC (Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture).
- 2017 Guest Lecturer for the Public Choice Outreach Conference.
- 2016 Conference panel organized for Southern Economic Association Meetings (Washington DC).
- 2016 Conference panel organized for EHS (Cambridge).
- 2015 Conference panel organized for Social Science History (Baltimore)
- 2014–2019 Faculty Participant for Adam Smith Fellowship Workshops, Mercatus Center.
- 2013–2015 Coordinator of the Public Choice Seminar, George Mason University.
- 2013— Co-organizer of the Washington Area Economic History Seminar
- 2013— Co-organizer for Washington Area One Day Economic History Conference, George Mason University,
- 2011 Conference panel organized for Southern Economic Association Meetings (Washington DC).

Discussant

CSAE (2010), Southern Economic Association Conference (2011), ASREC (2012, 2013, 2015, 2017), Public Choice (2013), EHA (2013, 2014, 2015, 2018), ESNIE (2015), “Narrow Corridor” Acemoglu and Robinson manuscript conference (Northwestern, 2018); n=13.

Other Conference Attendance: IHS Timur Kuran’s “Freedoms Delayed” manuscript workshop (2019), Liberty Fund, Political Economy (2018), Royal Economic Society, Brighton (2018), Cultural Transmission and the Economics of Cultural Change, PSE (2018), IHS Hilton Root’s “Great Transitions” manuscript workshop (2017), IHS Hank Clark’s “Honor Management” (2017), Deep Determinants of Economic Growth Conference, Brown University (2017), All-UC Economic History Conference on Conflict and Development (2016), NBER Conference Housing and Mortgage Markets in Historical Perspective Conference (2011), Liberty Fund (2008, 2009); n = 11.

*Refereeing Activity**

Refereeing for National Science Foundation, Swiss National Science Foundation, Israeli Science Foundation, Econometrica, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Economic Journal (†), Journal of the European Economic Association, International Economics Review, International Organization, European Economic Review, Journal of Economic Growth (†), Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic History (†), Ex-

* † denotes ≥ 5 times; ‡ denotes ≥ 10 times

plorations in Economic History (†), Economic History Review, Journal of Economics, Organization and Behavior, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, European Review of Economic History, British Journal of Political Science, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, European Journal of Political Economy, Canadian Journal of Economics, Journal of Business History, Constitutional Political Economy, Public Choice (†), Journal of Institutional Economics, Journal of Sports Economics, Financial History Review, Social Science History, Economics Bulletin, Southern Economic Journal, Bulletin of Economic Research, Economics of Governance, Studies in Emergent Orders, Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Journal of Financial Stability, Journal of Comparative Economics (†), Economics of Transition, Economic Modeling, Kyklos, Econ Journal Watch, Sociological Theory, Rationality and Society, Comparative Economic Studies, Contemporary Economic Policy, Chicago University Press, Oxford University Press, Bloomsbury Academic Press, Emergent Ventures, and Cambridge University Press.

Managing Editor of *Oxonomics* 2007–2009.

University Service

- 2018— Promotion and Tenure Committee, George Mason University.
- 2016—2017 IT Committee, George Mason University.
- 2016 Fenwick Fellow Selection Panel, George Mason University.
- 2011— Member of the Economic History Field Exam Committee, George Mason University. .
- 2013— Member of the MA Economics Exam Committee, George Mason University. .
- 2016 OLLI Lecture Fall.
- 2016 Assisted in Undergraduate Assessment, George Mason University.
- 2013 Independent Study & Directed Readings: Michael Spinzor Watson, George Mason University.

Thesis Committee Member of:

(institution and first placement in brackets):

- 2019 Fernando Arteaga (GMU) (Chair), University of Pennsylvania [Post-doctoral Fellowship]].
- 2017 Patricia Moser (GMU)
- 2017 Theresa Finley (GMU, Susquehanna University [tenure-track]).
- 2017 Cameron Harwick (GMU, The College at Brockport, State University of New York [tenure-track])
- 2016 Conor Lennon (University of Pittsburgh, University of Louisville [tenure-track]).
- 2015 Melanie Meng Xue (GMU), UCLA Anderson, [Post-doctoral Fellowship].
- 2015 Aaron Honsowetz (GMU, Bethany College [tenure-track]).
- 2014 Zeynab Masoudnia (GMU).
- Ongoing Franz Loyola (GMU, World Bank).
- Ongoing Cheryl Litman (GMU).
- Ongoing Justin Moore (GMU).
- Ongoing Kendra Asher (GMU).

Media

Research featured in the FT, The Economist, Washington Post, New York Times, Globe & Mail, Foreign Policy, Times of Israel, Israel Hayom, Wired, Slate, Capx, FEE.

Podcasts with *Conversations with Tyler*, *Research on Religion*, *MacroMusings*, and *The Economics Detective*.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate

Microeconomic Theory (MA level, GMU); Analytical Narratives (PhD level, GMU), Political Economy of the State (PhD level, GMU); Economics of Religion (PhD level, GMU).

Undergraduate

Topics in Economic History (GMU); Economics of Developing Areas (GMU); International Growth and Development (York); Development Economics (York); The British Industrial Revolution (York); British Economic and Social History Since 1870 (Department of Economics, Oxford), Macroeconomics Finals (St Catherine's College, Oxford), Prelims Microeconomics (Corpus Christi, Oxford).

Guest Lectures

Hebrew University, Northwestern University, University of Pennsylvania.